

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Ninth Sunday After Pentecost July 22, 2018 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Mark's gospel makes clear how great was the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

GATHERING

PRELUDE: *Melody of Praise* Phillip Keveren

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the \oplus Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \oplus Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (ELW 883)

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make. We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 Oh, enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
- 4 For why? The Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
- 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heav'n and earth adore, from us and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC: Soloist: Suella Davis

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

A reading from Jeremiah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they

shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

The author of this letter is reminding his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

A reading from Ephesians.

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

When Jesus sent his disciples out to teach and heal, they ministered among large numbers of people. Their work was motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (ELW 611)

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "I am this dark world's light;
 look unto me, your morn shall rise,
 and all your day be bright."
 I looked to Jesus, and I found
 in him my star, my sun;
 and in that light of life I'll walk
 till trav'ling days are done.

APOSTLES' CREED

- I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

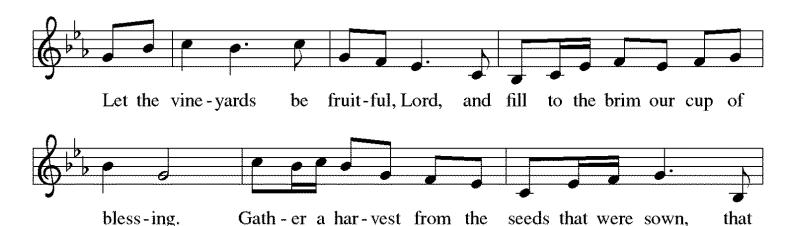
Please be seated.

<u>MEAL</u>

OFFERTORY: All People That on Earth Do Dwell Robert Hobby

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

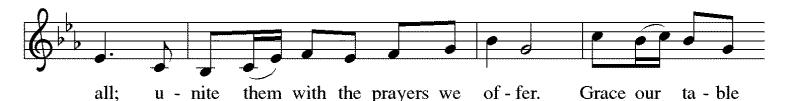
OFFERING HYMN: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW #184)



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we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of





with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

O God before time, O God at the end, we delight in the splendor of your universe. Daily we laud your continuing creation, and we give thanks. We glorify you, now and forever.

We glorify you, now and forever.

O God of the covenant, O God of the church, we hear you speaking to centuries of your people. We come as your children to this table, and we give thanks for your presence. We praise you, now and forever.

We praise you, now and forever.

You gave us Mary and Magdalene, Peter and Paul, Luther and Melanchthon, Richter, Schladermundt, Lehrer, Dornbirer, Stellhorn, Bauerle, Schieber, and Mawhirter. We bless you, now and forever.

We bless you, now and forever.

You came as Jesus, our wisdom, our guide, dying for sin, and alive for the life of the world. We worship you, now and forever.

We worship you, now and forever.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

Amen.

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

Amen.

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

Amen.

Come, Holy Spirit, and make here the body of Christ. Breathe onto this food, that it bring us your life. By your Spirit, preserve what is faithful; reform what we treasure; create in us what is vital and new. We honor you, now and forever.

We honor you, now and forever.

O God before time, O God at the end, Father, Son, and Spirit, we laud you, Glory and praise, blessing and worship, honor and power and might be to you, our God, forever and ever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

The belief of this congregation is that participation in the Lord's Supper is the reception of "the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink" (Luther's Small Catechism, ELW p. 1166). We believe that "a person who has faith in these words, 'given for you' and 'shed for you for the forgiveness of sin,' is really worthy and well prepared. However, a person who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, because the words 'for you' require truly believing hearts" (Luther's Small Catechism, ELW p. 1166).

COMMUNION SONG





you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN One Bread, One Body (ELW 496)

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. Refrain
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. Refrain

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Please stand.

Almighty God, Father,

Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing (ELW 544)

- 1 Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing, worship, thanks, devotion voicing: glory be to God on high! Christ, your cross and passion sharing, by this eucharist declaring yours the final victory.
- 2 Scattered flock, one shepherd sharing, lost and lonely, one voice hearing, ears attentive to your word; by your blood new life receiving, in your body, firm believing, we are yours, and you the Lord.

3 Sins forgiven, wrongs forgiving, we go forth alert and living in your Spirit, strong and free. Partners in your new creation, seeking peace in ev'ry nation, may we faithful foll'wers be.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow Paul Manz

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Worship leaders today are:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Eric L. Bodenstab

Assisting Minister: Carolyn Steinfeldt, ELCA Deacon

Organist: Ron Borchardt

Lector: (8:00) Andy Gundlach (10:30) Carla Mitchell Children's Message: Carolyn Steinfeldt, ELCA Deacon

Prayers of the People: Judy Mears

Serving Bread: Carolyn Steinfeldt, ELCA Deacon

Communion Assistants: (8:00) Dick & Marlene Long

(10:30) John & Judy Mears

Sound Board: (8:00) Andy Gundlach (10:30) Tim Kostel

Ushers: (8:00) Randy Koch, Diane Ernst, Dan Owens,

Andrew Castello, Savannah Castello and Patty Pascoe

(10:30) Dean & Karen Slater, George & Betty Bickley, and

Chet Leser

Gathering Hosts: (8:00) Darlene Lowery

(10:30) Mike & Hope Bailey

Greeter: Joanne Hosey **Altar Guild:** Karen Slater



Attendance/Offering

July 14-15th **(210)** General Fund Offering received **\$4,891.00**Midweek General Fund Offering received **\$597.00**Weekly budgeted amount **\$7,480.77**Total General Fund amount received **\$5,488.00**



One side vase is given by **Frank & Darlene Lowery** in loving memory of their daughter, **Michelle**, and father, **William**. One side vase is given in honor of our mother, **Patty Pascoe's**, 75th birthday on July 24th by her children, **Chad Royal Pascoe** and **Laura Pascoe Wiggins**. The center vase is given by **Denny & Kathy Joiner** in honor of their granddaughter's wedding. (**Auston Maddock & Samantha Wechter**).

Lectionary Study

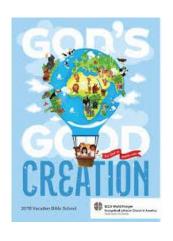
Readings July 29th: 2 Kings 4:42-44, Psalm 145:10-18, Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21



- ◆ Every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. Pastor Eric and Pastor Katie Suggitt lead a Common Lectionary Text Study at Mr. Smith's Coffee House. All are welcome!
- ♦ Wednesday mornings at 7:30 a.m., in the Stellhorn Library.



There will be a new **Small Group with Pastor Eric** beginning on Tuesday July 24th
at 6:00 p.m. The focus is the **ELCA Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice**. There are a few copies available in the office or you can visit our website at www.zionsandusky.org and download the document from our main page.



Vacation Bible School 2018 God's Good Creation July 23-27th 9 a.m. until Noon All children ages 3 and older

To register, pick up a VBS registration on the media wall in the hallway just outside of the church office or you can download a form from the website at

www.zionsandusky.org



Thank you to all who were involved with the Meet and Greet this past Sunday for our new Adopt A Cop Ministry. Please continue bringing in your cards, crafts, coloring pages from the children, and placing them in the Adopt-A-Cop bin in the Gathering Room. We will make sure Officer Cruz receives all of your tokens of encouragement. We also ask you to continue praying for Officer Cruz.



Calling all bakers and dessert makers! Adopt-A-Cop needs YOUR help! On Friday July 27th Zion Church will be delivering pizza and desserts to the Sandusky Police Department. There will be approximately 20 - 25 between the shift change. Would you please bake or make some of your tasty treats for us to take? We

ask that you please have them in disposable containers and dropped off at church ready for pick up by 5 PM on that day. Thanks so much for contributing your goodies - I am SURE the officers will greatly appreciate our home made hospitality!

Seventh Annual Back to School Rally August 4th from 12-3 p.m.

Downtown Sandusky at the Sandusky Bay Pavilion (Next to Damon's).



- We will need volunteers to help run the Zion booth.
- We will begin collecting school supplies at the end of May. We will be collecting scissors, pencils, 24 pack crayons, and any size uniform polo.
- We will pack backpacks on July 30th at Father's Heart Church from 3-6:00 pm



NEW DAY / NEW TIME FOR ZION LUTHERAN CHUCH CARE AND SHARE FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERING

As a result of the small number of clients participating on Friday mornings, a decision was made at the July meeting of the Care and Share Board to eliminate Friday morning sessions beginning August 1st. Care and Share will continue being open on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday to serve the needs of the community. In an effort to maintain Zion's involvement in Care and Share, Zion will be assuming the responsibility for suppling food pantry volunteers for Monday afternoon sessions. The volunteer involvement time for each session remains the same of two hours. The afternoon sessions are from one to three o'clock. It's hard to believe that Zion has been involved with the Food Pantry Program of Care and Share since 2009. Over the past eight years, Zion has received countless compliments on our involvement and excellent coverage on Friday mornings. The change to Monday afternoons will enable Zion Lutheran Church to continue our involvement in this worthwhile volunteer program. With the new day and time, please consider becoming a volunteer. If interested, please see Mike Bailey, Dick Long, or leave your name in the church office.





To view the full calendar of events and the current weekly announcements please visit our website at Zionsandusky.org

This week in Ministry:

Sunday, July 22

8:00/10:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum

12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Block Party

3:00 p.m. VBS Set-up

Monday, July 23

9:00 a.m. – Noon VBS 5:30 p.m. Temple Care Takers – Library No Quilting

Tuesday, July 24

9:00 a.m. – Noon VBS No Quilters

1:00 p.m. Lectionary Study at Mr. Smith's Coffee House.

6:00 p.m. Pastor's Small Group in the Library

Wednesday, July 25

7:30 a.m. Lectionary Study – Library 9:00 a.m. – Noon VBS

Thursday, July 26

9:00 a.m. - Noon VBS

Friday, July 27 Care & Share Volunteers:

Virginia Neuman, Bruce Bravard, Chris Hamilton, and Alan Mitchell 9:00 a.m. – Noon VBS

Saturday, July 28

6:00 p.m. Worship

If you, a family member, or a friend is in need of Pastoral care, or is hospitalized, please call the church office at 419-625-2112.

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